


RESOURCES

- CDC Office of the Chief of Public Health Practice, National Public Health Performance Standards Program (NPHSP)
<http://www.cdc.gov/od/ocphp/nphpsp/>
- Association of State and Territorial Health Officials
www.astho.org
- American Public Health Association
www.apha.org
- National Association of County and City Health Officials
www.naccho.org
- Indiana Public Health Association
www.inpha.org
- Public Health Accreditation Board
www.phab.org





Getting Ready

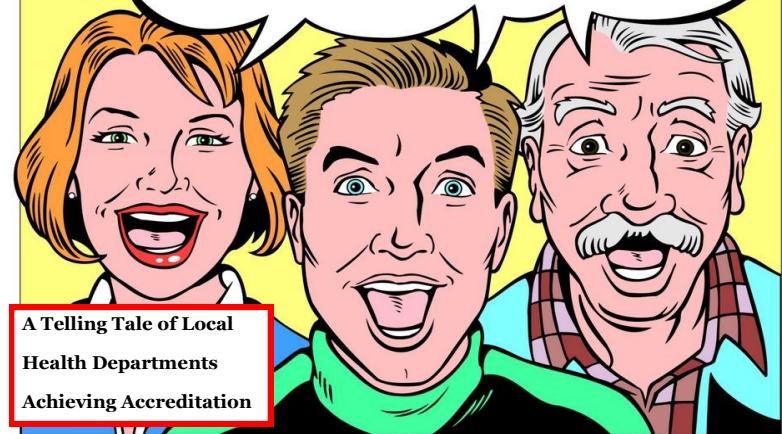
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Integrating the 10 Essential Public Health Services into Every Day Local Health Department Functions

Heading Toward Accreditation

Let's Get Started!



A Telling Tale of Local
Health Departments
Achieving Accreditation

Are you a bit frazzled? Still a little bit confused about the 10 Essential Public Health Services and Accreditation? **HAVE NO FEAR!** It could be easier than you think!

HELP!

It's the BOOST we need!

ACCREDITATION IS A VOLUNTARY PROGRAM THAT MEASURES THE DEGREE TO WHICH STATE, LOCAL, TRIBAL AND TERRITORIAL PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENTS MEET NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED STANDARDS AND MEASURES.
 Source: www.phaboard.org/resources/faq/default.asp.
 Once you understand the 10 Essential Public Health Services, you are on your way to understanding the accreditation process.
SOMETHING YOU MAY NOT KNOW...

You already monitor health!

Really?! How?

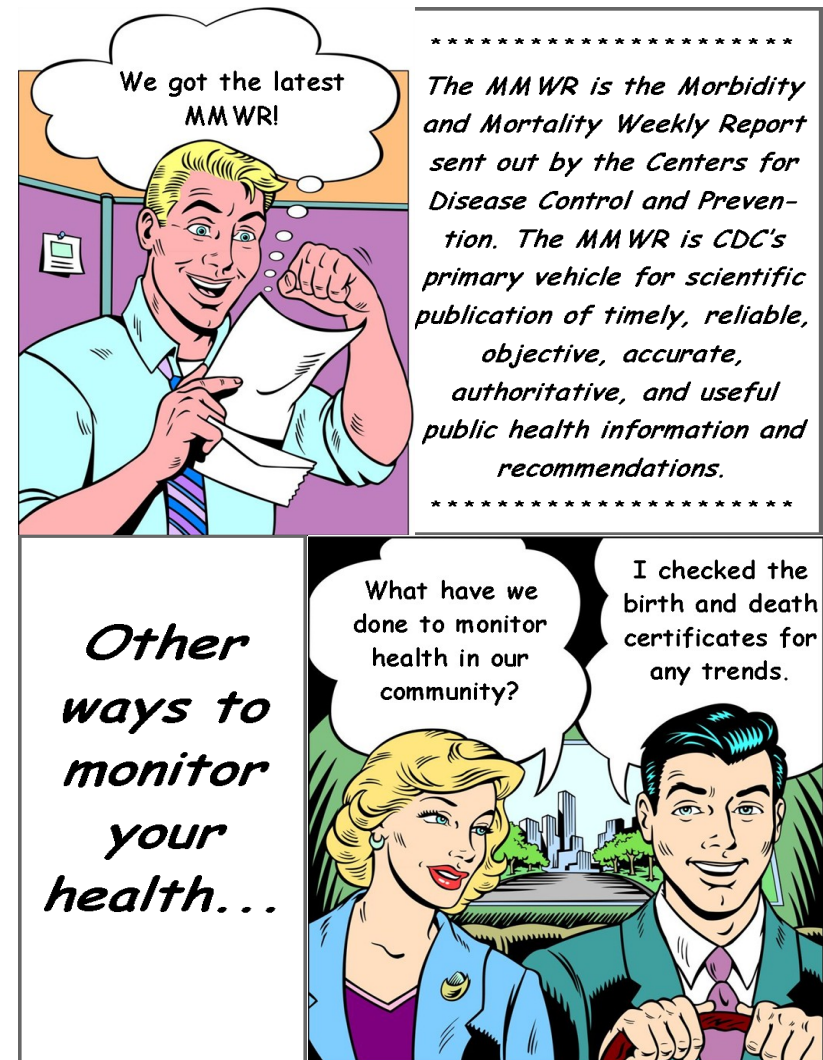
Here's How:

Essential Public Health Service #1

What's going on in our community? Do we know how healthy we are?

ESSENTIAL SERVICE	DOMAIN
1. Monitor Health of the Community	1. Conduct Assessment Activities Focused on Population Health Issues Facing the Community
2. Diagnose and Investigate Community Health Problems and Hazards in the Community	2. Investigate Health Problems and Environmental Public Health Hazards to Protect the Community
3. Inform, Educate, Empower	3. Inform and Educate About Public Health Issues and Functions
4. Mobilize Community Partnerships	4. Engage with the Community to Identify and Solve Health Problems
5. Policy Development	5. Develop Public Health Policies and Plans
6. Enforce Laws and Regulations	6. Enforce Public Health Laws and Regulations
7. Link People to Health Services	7. Promote Strategies to Improve Access to Healthcare Services
8. Assure a Competent Workforce	8. Maintain a Competent Public Health Workforce
9. Evaluate Quality	9. Evaluate and Continuously Improve Processes, Programs, and Interventions
10. Research of New Insights	10. Contribute to and Apply the Evidence Base of Public Health

NOTES



No need to feel overwhelmed... Start looking at what you're already doing and what you have access to.

There's just so much!

I LOVE the morning paper!

Check out your local and state newspapers for health news!

I bet I can come up with more ways to monitor health...

Write more ways your staff can monitor health.

This tool is **NOT** a comprehensive list on how to monitor health in your community. It is meant as a **STARTING POINT** for your agency.

One objective of this document is to show that local health department staff are performing many tasks that are part of delivering the 10 Essential Public Health Services. We hope that it also shows there are many ways to serve your community. If we all work together, we **CAN** get there!

#9 Evaluate (Evidence Gathering)

Are we doing any good?

Are we doing things right?

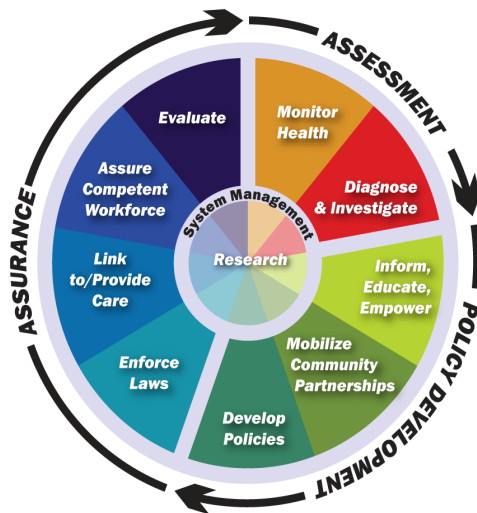
Are we doing the right things?

- Discover what current data is collected, where it is housed, and how it is used.
- Know what agencies have a stake in health outcomes.
- Seek community opinion about effectiveness by using focus groups and other inclusive settings.

#10 Research

Are we discovering and using new ways to get the job done?

- Partner with universities or research entities in your area.
- Work with Purdue Extension Offices to link with institutions of higher learning and research.



The steps to accreditation
are easier than we
thought!



If you know the 10 Essential Public Health Services, you will be familiar with the 10 Domains for Accreditation.

The Domains are the areas in which public health will be measured to become accredited.

The next few pages contain information about all 10 Essential Public Health Services! Write your own ideas in the white space on each page!

#1 Monitor Health

**What's going on in our state/
community?**

Do we know how healthy we are?

- Read the Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR).
- Read newspapers to monitor local, state, and national health issues.
- Monitor birth and death certificates.
- Read news releases from ISDH.

#3 Inform, Educate, & Empower

**How well do we keep all people
and segments of our State in-
formed about health issues?**

- Know your media contacts and communicate with them regularly.
- Assess communication between public health professionals and your community.
- Provide your citizens with health information that allows them to make healthy decisions.

#2 Diagnose and Investigate

**Are we ready to respond to
health problems or threats?**

**How quickly do we find
out about problems? How
effective is our response?**

- Communicate with district preparedness staff.
- Sign-up for the Epidemiology Resource Center's (ERC) newsletter.
- Submit samples to local and ISDH state labs.

#4 Mobilize Community

Partnerships

**How well do we get people and
organizations engaged in
health issues?**

- Join community coalitions.
- Look for opportunities to partner with community organizations like Chambers of Commerce, YMCAs, schools, or libraries.

#5 Develop Policies

**What policies promote health in our
state?**

**How effective are we in planning and in
setting health policies?**

- Serve as a resource to elected officials.
- Attend county council meetings.

#7 Link to/Provide Care

**Are people receiving the medical care
they need?**

- Know how many health care providers are in your area.
- Find out the number of primary care physicians and obstetricians there are per thousand residents.
- Examine the health deficits in your area, such as premature births, and this relates to provider availability.
- Analyze the demographics of your area and how they relate to health deficits.

#6 Enforce Laws

**When we enforce health
regulations, are we up-to-
date, technically compe-
tent, fair and effective?**

- Know who is responsible and work with the different entities to enforce the laws.
- Examine restaurant violations; look for repeat offenders or similar violations overall.
- Educate people in your county about the laws and ordinances.

#8 Assure a Competent Workforce

**Do we have a competent
public health staff?**

**How can we be sure that
our staff stays current?**

- Identify free resources to educate your workforce.
- Utilize free online resources including trainings, webinars, and Centers for Disease Control publications.